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This is in response to the outstanding Office Action, dated July 16, 2004, in the above-identified application.

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition to extend the period for 11/17/2004 SDAV Ming Weeply in the above sidentified application. The requested extension and appropriate fee are 01 FC:1251 as 1610 we there time period desired):

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Oi et al. without Ouderkirk et al. does not teach all of the elements of claim 30. For example, such references do not teach an article having a dielectric reflective layer that includes at least one birefringent polymer as is recited in claim 30.

For at least the above reasons, Applicants submit that claim 30 is patentable in view of the cited references. Reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection are, therefore, respectfully requested.

Summary

It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of all rejections are respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representatives, at the below-listed telephone number, if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

Respectfully submitted,

Date

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